

Amendment in Reply to the Office Action of August 13, 2008

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please delete the current Abstract in its entirety and substitute therefor the enclosed New Abstract.

NEW ABSTRACT

A lamp includes a burner secured to a holding device made of metal. The lamp further includes a bottom section made of plastic. In order that the lamp is of a simple, mechanically stable design, and nonetheless is thermally stable, in accordance with a first aspect, an opening of the bottom section is provided with projections in such a way that a base sleeve made of metal, which is disposed in the opening, does not bear laterally against the bottom section over its entire surface. In accordance with a second aspect, the base sleeve includes a flange which screens a top side of the bottom section, at least partially, against the burner, wherein a space remains between the flange and the top side of the bottom section.